

If I could take any three living people with me on the first manned mission to Mars, the first person I would want to take is my boyfriend Brody. He is very good at keeping me calm and encouraging me to be more optimistic. The second person I would want to take with me is Sunita Williams. She is an astronaut and has lots of experience in space. The last person I would want to take with me is Robert Zubrin. He is an aerospace engineer who is an advocate for exploration of Mars by humans. He has written books about humans on Mars and would be very helpful when it came to learning how to live on Mars. These three people would be aboard my mission to Mars.

The first person that came to my mind when thinking about who I would want to go to Mars with me was Brody. This is because I would not want to go over two years without seeing him. Brody is the person that I tell everything to. I tell him all my worries, doubts, insecurities, and my hopes and goals. He is the only person that can keep me calm and can make me feel secure. I hate feeling uncomfortable and going outside my comfort zone. Outer space and Mars is VERY outside my comfort zone. I know that if Brody was with me while I was on this mission I would feel much more comfortable and relaxed, rather than worried and uptight. I know that an experience like this could not be described by words and that he could also want to experience something so exciting and life changing. For these reasons, I would take Brody on this mission to Mars.

Because neither Brody nor I have been in outer space before, I decided bringing along someone who has experienced it before would cause the mission to more likely be successful. The astronaut I want to assist on my mission to Mars is Sunita Williams. Before she became an astronaut she was a Navy helicopter pilot. She has been on numerous space missions. These missions include a space shuttle mission in 2006 in which she was a flight engineer and the

Soyuz mission in 2012 in which she was a flight engineer and space station commander. She has spent more than three hundred twenty-two days in space and more than fifty hours “spacewalking”. With this experience I believe Sunita would be a crucial part of ensuring we make it to Mars and back. She would teach us how to be astronauts. I also think it would be an amazing experience to spacewalk, that is another thing she could teach us. Because she has spent an abundant amount of time in space, I believe she would be able to ensure our safety and success.

Because no one has ever lived on Mars before, having an expert to teach us how would be essential. Robert Zubrin is the President of the Mars Society and has a U.S. utility patent on an oxygen supply system along with other patents. One of the many books he wrote is called, “How to Live on Mars”. In this Book Zubrin not only states that living on Mars is plausible, but he also says it is inevitable. Because of his extensive research on how to live on Mars, we would need him to teach us otherwise we would not be able to do so.

If I could take any three living people with me on the first manned mission to Mars I would take Brody, Sunita Williams, and Robert Zubrin. Brody’s presence would be crucial for my mental and emotional health. Sunita’s experience in space is critical in commanding our mission. Zubrin’s knowledge about Mars and how to live there is how we will do what no one has done before. For all these reasons, these three people would be aboard my mission to Mars.